## HOUSE RESOLUTION 44 By Litz

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Damon Morgan, on his selection as Teacher of the Year at West High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Damon Morgan is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished himself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Morgan has recently been selected Teacher of the Year by West High School, an honor most befitting his outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence he has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, he received his both his Bachelor's Degree and his Master's Degree from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Morgan has served with acumen and alacrity as the West High School agriculture teacher for 32 exemplary years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his duties as teacher, Mr. Morgan has also served as an assistant varsity baseball coach and Chairman of the East Tennessee Education Association's Teacher's Division; and

WHEREAS, he is also a member of West High School's agricultural scholarship committee, and he assisted in the seedling plant potting demonstration at the ALPS Center; and

WHEREAS, his many awards include the TVATA Teacher of Teachers, the Hamblen County Soil Conservation Educator of the Year, and the NAAE 30-year service award; he was also named the Morristown Area Chamber of Commerce Agri-Business Person of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Damon Morgan is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate his students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Morgan truly serves as an inspiration to his colleagues and students alike, and his friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know him; and

WHEREAS, Damon Morgan truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Damon Morgan on being chosen as Teacher of the Year at West High School, commend his exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.